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ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan,
Ashoka Road,
New Delhi-110001

Dated the 22nd March, 2019

1st Chaitra, 1941 (Saka)

DIRECTION

No.576/3/EVM/2019/SDR-Vol.II. - Whereas, Section 61A of the Representation of the People Act, 1951, provides that the giving and recording of votes by Voting Machines in such manner as may be prescribed, may be adopted in such constituency or constituencies as the Election Commission of India may, having regard to the circumstances of each case, specify; and

2. Whereas, as per the proviso to Rule 49A of the Conduct of Elections Rules, 1961, a Printer with a drop box of such design, as may be approved by the Election Commission of India, may also be attached to voting machine for printing a paper trail of the vote, in such constituency or constituencies or parts thereof as the Election Commission of India may direct; and
3. Whereas, the Commission has considered the circumstances in all the Parliamentary Constituencies of India, all the Assembly Constituencies of Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Odisha & Sikkim and in the 37 Assembly Constituencies (as per Annexure-I) of Bihar, Goa, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Puducherry, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh & West Bengal, and is satisfied that sufficient number of Electronic Voting Machines and Printers for printing Paper Trail [Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Trail (VVPAT)] are available for taking the poll in the above mentioned Parliamentary/ Assembly Constituencies, the polling personnel are well trained in efficient handling of the Electronic Voting Machines and Printers for Paper Trail (hereafter referred to as 'VVPAT Printers') and the electors are also fully conversant with the operation of the Electronic Voting Machines and the VVPAT Printers;

4. Now, therefore, the Election Commission of India, in exercise of its powers under the said Section 61A of the Representation of the People Act, 1951, and Rule 49A of the Conduct of Elections Rules, 1961, hereby specifies all the Parliamentary Constituencies at the current General election to the House of the People, 2019, all the Assembly Constituencies of Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Odisha & Sikkim at the current General Election to the State Legislative Assemblies and the 37 Assembly Constituencies (as per Annexure - I) of Bihar, Goa, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Puducherry, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh & West Bengal, from where bye-elections are being held, as per the schedule announced by the Commission on 10th March, 2019, 13th March, 2019 & 14th March, 2019 as the constituencies in which the votes, shall be given and recorded by means of Electronic Voting Machines and VVPAT printers in the manner prescribed, under the Conduct of Elections Rules, 1961, and the supplementary instructions issued by the Commission from time to time on the subject.
5. The Commission also hereby approves the design of the Electronic Voting Machine and the Printer with the drop box (the VVPAT Printers) as developed by the Bharat Electronics Ltd., Bangalore and Electronics Corporation of India Ltd., Hyderabad, which shall be attached to the said machines, to be used for the giving and recording of votes in all the Constituencies.

By order,



N. T. BHUTIA,
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ELECTION COMMISSION OF IN

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